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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In order to comply with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, a copy of Form HDP-1449 is attached. A copy of the cited art is provided herewith.

In accordance with MPEP §§609 and 707.05(b), Applicant respectfully requests that each document listed be given thorough consideration and that the Examiner cite each document of record in the prosecution history of the present application by initialing Form HDP-1449 next to each document. Applicant requests such initialing even if the Examiner does not consider: (1) a listed document to be sufficiently pertinent to use in a rejection; (2) a document to be prior art for any reason; or (3) that the guidelines for citation have been fully complied with respecting a particular document. Applicant makes this request

so that each document becomes cited on the face of a patent issuing on the present

application.

Applicant submits that the present Information Disclosure Statement is in

compliance with the duty to disclose information material to patentability under 37 C.F.R.

§1.56, but by listing such documents Applicant is not admitting that such documents are

necessarily relevant or prior art. Applicant intends no representation that the listed

documents represent the results of a complete search. Applicant anticipates that the

Examiner, in the normal course of examination, will make an independent search to

determine the best prior art consistent with 37 C.F.R. §1.104(a) and §1.106(b) and, in the

course of such search, will review for relevance every document listed on the attached

form even if not initialed.

Applicant earnestly solicits early and favorable consideration.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned

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